Troopers Arrest Georgetown Man for Aggravated Menacing

Rehoboth Beach- The Delaware State Police have arrested a Georgetown man after he threatened his girlfriend with a knife during a domestic related incident.

The incident occurred on June 13, 2019, at approximately 7:20 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to a residence in the 20000 block of Coastal Highway, Rehoboth Beach, in reference to a domestic. Upon arrival, Troopers met with a female victim who advised that she and her boyfriend, 27-year-old Jerron D. Ricketts had engaged in a verbal altercation throughout the day that had escalated with Ricketts threatening her with a large knife and damaging items in the residence. Further investigation revealed that the victim and Ricketts had left the residence to pick up the victim's three children at daycare when another argument ensued. Ricketts exited the vehicle at this time and broke the passenger's side rear door handle.

Ricketts re-entered the vehicle and the victim and her three children proceeded back home when the police were contacted. Ricketts fled on foot prior to police arrival and was apprehended a short time later at a neighbors residence without incident. A computer inquiry revealed that the victim had a no unlawful contact order against Ricketts. The victims were not injured as a result of this incident.

Ricketts was transported back to Troop 7 where he was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony
- Aggravated Menacing
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited

- Endangering the Welfare of a Child (3 counts)
- Offensive Touching
- Criminal Mischief (2 counts)
- Breach of Release

Ricketts was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$63,500.00 cash only bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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